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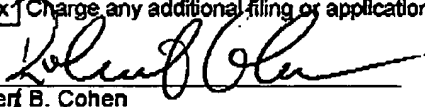
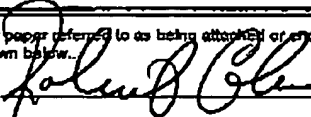
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Invention: <b>DATA RECORDING MEDIUM, DATA REPRODUCING METHOD AND REPRODUCING DEVICE, AND DATA PROCESSING SYSTEM</b>				
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.312**

Dear Sir:

Further to the Notice of Allowance mailed December 14, 2005, in connection with the above-identified patent application, applicant respectfully requests that the following amendment be made to the application: